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Presents

Pittsburgh Ballet Theatre

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THURSDAY EVENING, DECEMBER 15, 1977, AT 8:00 POWER CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS ANN ARBOR, MICHIGAN

The Pittsburgh Ballet Theatre's Ann Arbor dance residency this week includes four concert performances and two University Dance Department master classes, with support from the National Endowment for the Arts and the Michigan Council for the Arts. The Ballet's "Nutcracker" project is supported by a grant from the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania Council on the Arts and The Pittsburgh Foundation.

Ninth Program

GER Principal (

TAYLOR DEGNAN

PATRICIA SWEENEY

GEOFFREY KIMBROUGH KATHRYN MCCOY PAUL H. MCRAE ROLAND MORRISSETTE KENNETH NICKEL NOLA NOLEN JACQUELINE O'DELL REBECCA ROSS LORI RUTH RUBINSTEIN

Nutcracker

Ballet in Two Acts

Choreography by LORENZO MONREAL Music by PIOTR ILVITCH TCHAIKOVSKY Decor and Costumes by HENRY HEYMANN Lighting design by PAT SIMMONS Costumes executed in the Pittsburgh Ballet Theatre Costume Shop under the direction of STEPHEN F. PETIPAS Principals' costumes executed by JANET GROOM

ACT I

Excited guests are arriving at the home of Herr Stahlbaum whose Christmas party for his son Fritz, and daughter Clara, is an annual event bringing together family and friends, and the most eagerly awaited guest of all, Drosselmeyer, Clara's Godfather.

Mysterious chords announce the arrival of Drosselmeyer who enchants the gathering by presenting the magical dolls, Harlequin, Columbine, and the Toy Soldier to perform for the guests.

For Clara, Drosselmeyer has a special gift, the Nutcracker Doll, which Fritz snatches from her and breaks. Drosselmeyer magically repairs the doll and the guests join in a final dance before departing.

Unable to sleep thinking of her Nutcracker Doll, Clara steals into the drawing room and finds it—the clock strikes 12, Drosselmeyer appears and the whole room is transformed. Huge mice appear to do battle with the toy soldiers, but Clara wins the battle by hitting the Mouse-King on the head with her shoe. The Christmas tree begins to grow and the Nutcracker Doll is transformed into the Sugar Plum Cavalier, who takes Clara on a journey to the Kingdom of the Sweets. To reach their destination they pass through the enchanted Land of Snow where Clara is introduced to the Snow Prince and Princess.

Family:

Clara	• •	• • •	* * * *		Sweeney (Thurs., Sat. aft.), lor Degnan (Fri., Sat. eve.)
Fritz					Michael Abbitt
Father					Gregory Glodowski
Mother					Nola Nolen
Grandmother					Pamela Walder
Grandfather .					Robert Arbogast
Young woman					Katherina Rumpler
Young man .					Kenneth Nickel
Older Aunt .					Amy Stoner
Servants				Lori Ruth	Rubinstein, Margo Scharlin

Guests:

Grandmother .								Annette Gadusek
Grandfather .								Douglas B. Stewart
Young woman								 Lisa Ely
Husband				4				James Verner Wert, II
Children								Thomas Christopher, Cynthia Schowalter
Young man .	•	·	• •	•	·	·	·	. Bruce Abjornson (Thurs., Sat. aft.), Roger Triplett (Fri., Sat. eve.)

Sister
Widow
Children
Drosselmeyer
Nutcracker
Toy Soldier Peter Degnan (Thurs., Fri., Sat. eve.), Paul McRae (Sat. aft.)
Columbine Deidre Salyer (Thurs., Sat. aft.), Jeanne Loomis (Fri., Sat. eve.)
Harlequin
Captain
King Mouse Paul McRae (Thurs., Fri., Sat. eve.), Gregory Glodowski (Sat. aft.)
Mice
Soldiers
Snow Princess Jeanne Loomis (Thurs.), Patricia Sweeney (Fri.), Taylor Degnan (Sat. aft.),
Snow Prince

INTERMISSION

ACT II

Arriving at the Kingdom of Sweets, Clara and the Cavalier are greeted by the Sugar Plum Fairy and in Clara's honor a grand divertissement is presented by the dancers of many lands, the Waltz of the Flowers and a Grand Pas de Deux by the Sugar Plum Fairy and her Cavalier. All too soon it is time to say farewell and Clara, full of happiness and goodies, departs the Kingdom of Sweets. Taylor Degnan, Peter Degnan (Thurs., Sat. aft.), Spanish Patricia Sweeney, Roger Triplett (Fri., Sat. eve.) Lisa Ely, Paul McRae (Thurs., Fri.), Arabian Lauren Rouse, Gregory Glodowski (Sat.) . . . Nancy S. Glynn (Thurs.), Chinese Thomas Christopher (Thurs., Sat.), Cynthia Schowalter (Thurs, Fri., Sat. aft.), Margo Scharlin (Fri., Sat. eve.), Michael Abbitt (Fri.), Kathleen McCoy (Sat. aft.) Deidre Salyer (Thurs., Fri., Sat. aft.), Mirlitons Nola Nolen, Rebecca Ross (Thurs., Sat.), Jeanne Loomis (Fri., Sat. eve.) Michael Abbitt (Thurs., Sat.), Peter Degnan (Fri.), Trepak James Verner Wert, II, Robert Arbogast, Kenneth Nickel, Geoffrey Kimbrough (Thurs., Fri., Sat. aft.), Douglas B. Stewart (Sat. eve.) Roland Morrissette, Bill Anthony Cooks Lauren Rouse, Gregory Glodowski (Thurs., Fri.), Waltz of the Flowers Jeanne Loomis, Bruce Abjornson (Sat. aft), Lisa Ely, Paul McRae (Sat. eve.), Ensemble Jo Ann McCarthy Sugar Plum Fairy Dennis Poole Cavalier . .

Pittsburgh Ballet Theatre Production Staff

E. F. West, Production Manager Marc Verzatt, Company and Stage Manager Hank Graff, Technical Director Thomas James Gergerich, Assistant Technical Director Stephen F. Petipas, Costume Shop Foreman Janet Marie Groom, Costumer Joseph Susany, Master Carpenter Steve Karapandi, Property Master

COMING EVENTS

MARCEL MARCEAU, Pantomimist Saturday & Sunday January 7 & 8
JOSE MOLINA BAILES ESPANOLES
Rossini's Barber of Seville Sunday, January 15 CANADIAN OPERA COMPANY
HUNGARIAN FOLK BALLET
RUDOLF SERKIN, Pianist
CAMERATA ORCHESTRA OF SALZBURG/JANIGRO Friday, January 20
LEONTYNE PRICE, Soprano Wednesday, January 25
FRENCH STRING TRIO & MICHEL DEBOST, Flutist Friday, February 3
ELIOT FELD BALLET Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday
February 20, 21, 22
CARLOS MONTOYA, GuitaristFebruary 20, 21, 22CARLOS MONTOYA, GuitaristThursday, February 23
ALEKSANDER SLOBODYANIK, Pianist Saturday, February 25
THOVIL, SRI LANKA
BALTIMORE SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA/COMISSIONA Sunday, March 19
Dvořák: Scherzo Capriccioso; Khachaturian: Violin Concerto (Albert Markov, soloist); Kodaly: Hary Janos Suite
NIKOLAIS DANCE THEATRE Tuesday & Wednesday
March 21 & 22
KYUNG-WHA CHUNG, Violinist Thursday, March 23
ORPHEUS CHAMBER ENSEMBLE/FESTIVAL CHORUS Saturday, March 25
OKINAWAN DANCERS
AMADEUS STRING QUARTET
Mozart: Quartet in B-flat, K. 458 ("The Hunt"); Britten: Quartet No. 2; Dvořák: Quartet
in F, Op. 96 ("American")
BAVARIAN SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA/KUBELIK Saturday, April 8
Mahler: Symphony No. 9 in D major

Eighty-fifth Annual May Festival Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday, April 27, 28, 29, 30

THE PHILADELPHIA ORCHESTRA AND UNIVERSITY CHORAL UNION EUGENE ORMANDY, Conductor; ROBERT SHAW, Guest Conductor

> Programs and artists announced in January; series ticket orders accepted beginning January 9

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